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Water tower \$1 M over budget

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills's water tower project is going to cost \$1 million more than expected.

That was the news delivered to councillors last week by Bruce Bonner of D.M. Wills Associates Limited, the Peterborough-based engineering firm in charge of the project.

As part of its mandate, the firm is also in charge of overseeing construction tenders for the project and it's these tenders that have taken the estimated total cost of the project from \$2.4 million to approximately \$3.4 million.

"The tender price was a shock to us and we were frankly quite disappointed in the results," Bonner told councillors at their

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Chad Ingram/TIMES

When I grow up ...

The Minden Skating Club's annual carnival focused on future professions. This group wants to be hair stylists. See page 14.

Still no decisions on Rail Trail governance

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Spring is here and another season of recreation on Haliburton County's trails is about to begin.

However, the Haliburton County Rail Trail, the 33-kilometre corridor between Haliburton and Kinmount that has caused a rift between motorized and non-motorized users in the past, remains without an

official committee to govern its usage.

The former Rail Trail committee, which consisted of representatives of various user groups and members of county council, was disbanded last year after it was agreed that a lack of cooperation had rendered the committee essentially dysfunctional.

The county did accept verbal and written submissions from the public about what a new management committee for the Rail Trail could look like, but little ac-

tion has been taken toward establishing a new committee.

"We're no further ahead than we were four months ago," Minden Hills reeve and chair of the county's economic development committee, Jim McMahon, said earlier this week.

The Rail Trail has been assigned to the economic development committee until a

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SEEN & HEARD

Local news & events

The Earth Day Festival is being held at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre from 1 to 4 p.m. on April 24. All donations that are not swapped by the end of the day will be donated to Y's Archie Gently Used Boutique at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. An affordable clothes shopping experience, Y's Archie is staffed by YWCA volunteers and is open Thursdays and Fridays from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Laura Redman, volunteer and events developer, YWCA Women's Centre of Haliburton County.

Adventures of Scott Free and Will Do

Razzamataz Kids Shows is pleased to present The Shrimp Magnets in "The Really Real Adventures of Scott

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April 1, 2010

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Your organization is invited to participate in the first annual Haliburton County volunteer fair. This is a great opportunity to promote your group to potential volunteers. Help the community explore, engage and embrace volunteerism. This is an opportunity for all volunteer-based organizations to be under one roof, easily accessible to those in the county interested in volunteering. The fair happens on April 17 at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton. Book your display booth for \$25. Contact Lynn at 457-1742 ext 36 or email l.hogdon@compnet.ca. Make us call! Website at 457-7041 or email news@times.com

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Raw goes big at exhibition



By Mark Arden, Arts Council Marketing Associate
Painting Lois Raw near a set of panels in skin to creating something new with a long lost relative. The connection is almost instantaneous and an undeniable bond quickly forms, right from the first close encounter. Raw's love affair with the arts started when she was a young child. The moment she caught her first glimpse of her aunt working magic on a canvas was the moment she became hooked. "From a very early age I had watched her do her art," explained Raw in a recent interview at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden. "She worked in pastels, in oils, in gouache... because I saw that it just seemed like a perfectly natural thing to do." Raw was born and raised in Toronto, and spent most of her professional career teaching in the city. In 1981 she took a two-year leave of absence to teach in Borno State, Northern Nigeria. When she returned she didn't

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- Volunteer fair comes to town
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\$50,000 raised for Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton has wrapped up the 30th anniversary Bowl for Kids' Sake. The events were held at Bowlaway Lanes in Lindsay, Cayceon Lanes in Bobcaygeon and The Fast Lane in Minden. This event raised close to \$50,000, making it a huge success. All the funds will remain in our communities to support mentoring programs, such as the gradition-al Big Brother/Big Sister/Couple program and in-school mentoring program.

The top team pledges raised went to the Bobcaygeon Lions Club who raised \$1,431 (they win a table for six at our annual dinner/auction), the top three individuals

were Brad Bird of the Kinsmen Club of Lindsay raising \$577 (he wins a Strang's Value-Mart shopping spree), James Mulhern of the Union Proud team raising \$558 (he wins the GPS from Sears in Minden) and Thelma Purdy of the Bobcaygeon Lions Club raising \$535 (she wins the Vehicle Window Tint from FMT Custom Tint). A special thanks goes out to our own Carol Gorriol of the Big Brother Big Sisters team who raised \$1,140 on her own, showing her personal dedication to supporting mentoring programs. Scotiabank also recognizes the importance of mentoring and has matched their team's pledges of \$1,222.



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We would like to Thank the following community partners for their generous donations towards the 10th annual Celebration of Research event held on March 20, 2010.

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Artists key to social shift, speaker says

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Drew Dellinger is on a mission to make humanity understand not only its intrinsic connection to the planet on which we live, but also our interconnectedness to the universe at large.

Dellinger, a spoken word poet, author, professor and activist, was at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on March 28 to give a talk hosted by the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network, Haliburton's Gaia Centre and R.D Lawrence Place.

Gaia Centre executive director Carol Kilby introduced Dellinger, who is also the founder of activist group Poets for Global Justice.

Kilby said she was thrilled to have Dellinger speaking for a number of reasons.

"He's an artist," she said, explaining that artists are key for any societal shift of consciousness to take place, and "he uses his art for action. He is an activist.

"He's from California," Kilby continued. "I was hoping he'd bring us some sunshine and really warm weather."

Finally, Kilby said she was excited Dellinger had come to visit because, "he is an evolutionary. We need evolutionary leaders."

Dellinger and those like him, Kilby said, are important because they advocate a new way of seeing ourselves as expressions of the earth and the necessity of recognizing our interwoven connection to all of the universe.

When he took the podium, Dellinger dove into one of his poems, entitled "Hymn to the Sacred Body of the Universe."

"An ocean perpetually falling and it is my body," he spoke rhythmically of rain, with the kind of cadence reminiscent of a 1950s beat poet. "My religion is rain. My religion is stone."

Concluding to a round of applause, Dellinger said he was pleased to be in a room of "ecological and cosmological thinkers" and spoke of how his work largely examined the intersection between ecology and cosmology.

Dellinger also spoke of how he had struggled in public school and had never considered himself a writer. He spoke of how writing was still sometimes difficult for him and said he'd once been told that it was those for whom



Spoken word poet, author, professor and activist Drew Dellinger spoke to a crowd at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on March 28. Dellinger, who is the founder of activist group Poets for Global Justice, was on a speaking tour that included stops in Toronto, Barrie and Orillia.

writing came with difficulty who were the true writers.

He spoke of how his teacher Thomas Berry, a renowned cultural historian, had been the first to inspire him to think of life on a cosmological level and how humanity could learn from its ancestors.

"We should be humble about what we think previous cultures knew," Dellinger said.

It was during his college years that Dellinger's poetry writing began, in the form of hip-hop lyrics.

He was in a rap band called Sweet Acidophilus.

"The rap form is the platform," he said last week. "The rap form is the platform."

Above all, Dellinger said he thought it was important for people to remember that we are just a small part of

the ecological and cosmological world, equal to all its other species. "We are not the only celebrators of the universe," he said.

While Dellinger said he thought artists had a special capacity to tell the story of the universe, he said it was important to remember that just because humans have written language, it doesn't make us superior to any of the world's other creatures.

Phytoplankton, he said, produce most of the Earth's oxygen. Dellinger was on a speaking tour that included stops in Toronto, Barrie and Orillia. A collection of his poems is entitled Love Letters to the Milky Way.

Hot off the press: 2010 arts directory and map in circulation

After months of planning and hard work on the part of several individuals, the 2010 Arts Directory and Map has finally made its debut.

"We are incredibly pleased with the final product," said staff of the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands.

"It's really a stunning piece that we hope will catch the eye of everyone who sees it – it's hard to miss."

The full gloss 48-page Arts Directory features local art-

ists, arts and heritage organizations, businesses and supporters of the arts in Haliburton County.

Photos are spread throughout the book highlighting the work of artists as well as Arts Council programming. A map in the centre of the book points the way to many local studios, businesses and arts tours.

The most significant change made in this sixth annual edition of the book is that its format has changed: instead

of being 3.5 x 9 inches in size the 2010 directory is noticeably wider at 5 x 9 inches.

The result is a piece that looks more like a book than a brochure.

Twenty-five thousand copies of the directory have been printed and will soon be distributed at over 250 locations in the county and at Ontario tourism centres.

Submitted by the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands

Water coalition scores seat on TSW panel

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Last week the federal government announced the membership of the recently established Trent-Severn Water Management Advisory Council.

The establishment of the council was first announced in September as part of the government's action plan for the future of the Trent-Severn Waterway and includes representatives of various stakeholder groups along the Trent-Severn and the reservoir lakes.

The council will make recommendations to Parks Canada on how the waterway should be managed.

"It is a pleasure to welcome these dedicated individuals representing a range of organizations with an interest in water management to participate in the impor-

tant work of developing a shared vision for a balanced approach for water management," environment minister Jim Prentice said last week.

The council includes two members from Haliburton County; Chris Riddle, co-chair of the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow and Keith Hodgson of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association.

Riddle, along with co-chair Martin Risk, took over the helm of the coalition after founder and former chairperson Bonnie Fleischaker moved out of the area recently.

This is not Riddle's first time dealing with the management of the waterway.

A member of the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association, Riddle is the liaison between the association and members of the Trent-Severn management team.

"I have sort of regular casual meet-

ings with the management of the Trent-Severn," Riddle said, adding that his work with the advisory council would place him in a slightly more formal role.

Some of the coalition's major concerns are water quality, protection of navigable waters and water levels.

Haliburton's lakes are feeder lakes for the Trent-Severn Waterway and their levels often fluctuate as water is drawn south as required.

This adversely changes shoreline ecosystems, the coalition has argued.

Riddle said he thought it was necessary for the future of the waterway that stakeholder groups' concerns be taken into consideration and said it was important for the managers of the waterway to remember that there is much more to the Trent-Severn Waterway than just the canal through which so many boats pass

each year.

The other members of the eight-member council include Ken Pipher of Whatever Solutions and Media; Robert Allen of the Ontario Waterpower Association; John Gullick of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron; Allan J. Heritage of Voices of the Trent; Allan Appleby representing the lower Trent River area and Bill Lawrence of the Severn River Association of Property Owners.

Riddle said the original idea is that the council would meet twice yearly but said it could be more often than that.

A \$500,000 contract for a water management study of the waterway has just been awarded, Riddle said, and one of the council's first items of business would be to meet with the consultants on the issues that stakeholders want to see addressed.

Council agrees to five-year contract with clean water agency

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills councillors renewed the township's agreement with the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) at their March 25 meeting.

OCWA, a government-controlled agency, operates and maintains the pumping and treatment plants owned by the township.

The new agreement is for another five years.

OCWA representative Andre Ouelette told councillors last week that the purpose of his visit was to give an overview of what OCWA does for the township.

"That's what we'd like to do today, is

sort of an OCWA 101," Ouelette said.

Not only does OCWA operate and maintain the township's water facilities, he said, it also performs sampling, testing and monitoring services as well as record-keeping of any problems.

The agency operates 600 facilities in 200 municipalities throughout the province, most in small towns and rural areas.

Ouelette emphasized that most of OCWA's employees also live in these communities.

"They drink the water they treat," he said. OCWA is affiliated with the ministries of environment, labour and health and has not received any reports from the environment ministry

"That means we're doing a bang-up job

for you," he told councillors.

Councillor Barb Reid said she had concerns that because of the township's fixed fee approach to water and sewer, there was no way to reward residents who make efforts to conserve water.

"You're right and I don't know if I have a good answer for you on that," Ouelette said, but added that some communities do install water meters so that people are charged based on the amount of water they actually consume.

As an incentive, Ouelette said OCWA would be willing to extend its 2010 rates into 2011, meaning a savings of \$10,000, as well as waive the \$12,000 fee for the creation of a water management plan the township is required by the province to create.

Reid said that while it was clear OCWA

has done a good job for the township, the township has a purchasing policy and that requests for proposals should be put out, allowing other companies to bid on the contract.

Councillor Peter Oyler wanted to know what sort of timeline council was looking at. "OCWA needs six months and that six months is now," township property manager Peter Brown told Oyler.

The current agreement expires on Sept. 31. Reeve Jim McMahon said he thought OCWA had proved itself to the township and said introducing a new company to the township's facilities would be a time-consuming process.

In the end, council voted to renew the contract, with Reid and Councillor Rick Ratcliff voting in opposition.

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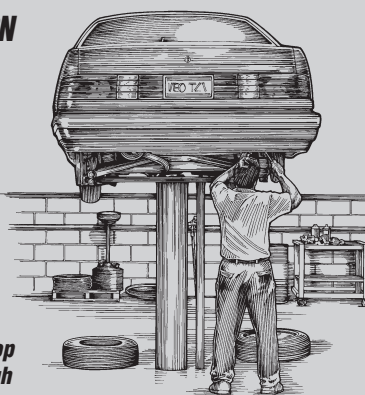
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Bowling for water

Help A Village Effort (HAVE) hosted an evening of bowling at The Fast Lane in Minden on March 27 that raised \$680 for the charity organization. An additional \$75 was raised by Fast Lane owners Val and Andy Lennox for a total of \$755.

HAVE, in association with the Canadian International Development Agency, has just completed its first year of three-year project that is installing drilled wells and composting toilets in a number of villages in India.

Teams representing the Wintergreen Maple Syrup and Pancake Barn, the Stephens family, the Heffer family, the HAVE Srelwobs and the Zen Team bowl Saturday.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

‘Economic times’ a bad excuse

IT WAS ALMOST THREE YEARS AGO that rumblings about a sub-prime mortgage crisis in the United States began to seep into the mainstream media.

The sub-prime mortgage crisis led to bankruptcies and company closures, subsequently to a lack of international investor and consumer confidence, subsequently to massive layoffs in the manufacturing sector and bam, before you knew it we had ourselves a full-blown global recession.



EDITORIAL

Chad Ingram

As of late things are looking up. Canada is slowly getting back in the black and, in a truly promising move, Ontario's auto industry is even hiring some workers back.

While Canada has technically emerged from the recession, things are still a little precarious and that phrase, that ubiquitous and amorphous phrase "the economic times," is still being thrown around like a Frisbee as an explanation for just about anything.

Enter the Minden Hills water tower project.

Last week, councillors for the township were informed the project would cost \$1 million more than originally anticipated.

Yes folks, that's a one with six zeros after it.

The reason is a drastic increase in the tender bids from the two Ontario companies that manufacture water towers.

The reasons for the huge increases, councillors were told by the engineering consultant in charge of the project, are design changes, the heavy workloads both companies are experiencing and, wait for it, yes . . . "the economic times."

Clearly "the economic times" has basically become a blanket explanation for anything that has no real good explanation.

You know what I'm going to do? I'm going to go and throw a rock through the window of the office next door and when the workers ask what I think I'm doing, I'm going to tell them it's because of the economic times.

I'm going to get in my car and start rear-ending vehicles on Bobcaygeon Road and when the cops come to arrest me, I'm going to tell them the economic times made me do it.

The economic times . . . give me a break.

What Minden Hills is looking at here seems to be a simple case of opportunism by two companies who monopolize a particular industry.

The incredible cost increase for the water tower project appears to have nothing to do with recessionary thinking and everything to do with exploitation.



IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Rodeo Cowgirls

Photo by Chad Ingram

Free nicotine patches offered in smoking study

Local residents who smoke are being encouraged to take part in an innovative study called STOP, or Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients.

As well as receiving resources on ways to become tobacco-free, eligible smokers who take part in the STOP study will be provided with a free, six-week supply of nicotine patches. Participants will be asked to answer follow-up questions about their efforts to quit to determine if the nicotine patches have helped them give up smoking.

The health unit is collaborating with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) to promote the STOP study in this area. The purpose of the study is to evaluate the methods and effectiveness of providing nicotine re-

placement therapy (NRT) to Ontario smokers. Initial findings show the use of NRT significantly increases the success rate of people trying to quit smoking.

To see if they are eligible to take part in the STOP study (www.stopstudy.ca), local smokers can call CAMH toll-free at 1-866-484-9022 and leave a message with their name and daytime phone number. All STOP participants must be Ontario residents who are 18 years of age and older.

For smokers trying to quit, there are also other resources available to help. The Smoker's Helpline (toll-free at 1-877-513-5337 or online at www.smoker-shelpline.ca) can assist, as can the health unit's Choose To Be...Smoke-Free Program (toll-free at 1-866-888-4577).

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

While we're at it

WELL, IT TOOK a full five years but the lawyers finally came to an agreement. That's right, the *Harry Potter* lawsuit has been settled for an undisclosed amount.

The whole issue began when the only consistent member of a little known Winnipeg-based music group called the Wyrd Sisters asked for \$40 million, because a group called the Weird or Wyrd Sisters had a feature role in the *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* movie and book. I'm no legal expert but it seems like flimsy grounds to me.

Especially since I wrote a magazine column that mentioned hairy otters long ago, which, as you'll note, utilizes many of the same letters used in the *Harry Potter* books and movies. I'm asking for \$200 million.

OK, technically I did not call the otters hairy in the piece, but I think anyone who knows otters could see that this is implied. The fact that these otters were wizards and

wore geeky round glasses was also implied, by the way. Oh, the pain and suffering I've endured!

I had decided to hold off on my lawsuit until the franchise dealt with all those frivolous ones. Now that they appear to be over, I'll email J.K. Rowlings and let her know that my lawyer, one J. Noble Dagget, is ready to pursue this action but quite willing to settle for an undisclosed, or even partly or fully disclosed amount.

It's all about the blatant abuse of my intellectual property. It doesn't matter that, as many people have suggested, my intellectual property is a fixer upper that resides on a postage stamp-sized lot in the bad part of town. There isn't a jury in the world that's

going to deny that Harry Potter is incredibly similar in spelling to hairy otter.

I'm asking for \$200 million up front but, as I said, I am willing to haggle or even grovel if it helps preserve my dignity. If J.K.'s legal team were to come back with a counter-offer of say \$1, I'd be reasonable and suggest that we split the two figures down the middle and settle for \$100-million. If she decided to play hardball, however, I'd also remind her that I once wrote about a pig with warts.

As you can see, this is no frivolous lawsuit and I will not have my legal and creative rights trampled upon

— unless the person trampling them is carrying a briefcase full of cold, hard cash. Then,

trample away.

This is not about the money, however. It's about the things I could buy with the money. I've always wanted a pony, for instance. Do you know how embarrassing it is to have to use a step to get up on a full-sized horse?

But I digress.

I'm quite serious about this lawsuit. Had J.K. Rowlings not got there first, I believe I might have eventually — given that the term eventually could conceivably indicate a timespan of up to 10-thousand years — penned a best-settling blockbuster series about hairy otters. Or not.

So, J.K. do the right thing and share your hard-earned wealth. Otherwise, it could get really weird sister. Oh no, here we go again....

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BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Carrion ragout! Yummy!

SO IT TURNS OUT that a dog is worth four SUVs. Or so says a university professor, who must have had too many dollars in his research budget and no place to spend them.

If the professor had just called me up and asked me, I could have told him that and he might not have wasted his money on proving something all of us already knew.

I read about it in one of Neil's magazines, which I've been studying while he's been making maple syrup. That's my kind of research.

I'm perched here on Neil's office chair, pawing away at his laptop keyboard, writing a column for him when I should be preparing a feast for my species' annual religious holiday.

It is on April 1 that terriers and hounds, schnauzers and poodles, mastiffs and shih tzus put aside their differences and celebrate the foolishness of the human species. That's tomorrow.

After dinner, we sit around and smoke cigars and swap stories about how helpless our masters are and we laugh and laugh and laugh till we are all woofed out.

Right now I should have on my chef's hat

and apron and be slaving away over a hot stove instead of doing Neil's work for him, but then I'm used to that. Each year at this time he pretends to be busy in the woods, even if the sap isn't running, and the editor expects me to pick up the slack for him.

That's just one more thing I have to put up with. Even so, I let him live with me and curl up in his bedroom doorway to keep him safe at night and also to trip him up in the dark if he has to go to the bathroom. That's always good for a laugh.

But I digress. What this professor in New Zealand was doing was measuring the carbon footprint of a German Shepherd Dog, a breed so far out on the genetic edge of our species that Dog is part of its formal name.

One German Shepherd equals four SUVs, or so says the professor. The comparison is apt for German Shepherds, who have as much trouble with their rear ends as an SUV that has been driven over too many rock

piles.

As for me, I'd rather be compared to a Studebaker — stylish and nimble and reliable when I have a mind to be. I figure I'd be worth about two and seven-eighths of a 1957 Studebaker Silver Hawk.

But the comparison is silly. We dogs would have hardly any carbon footprint at all if we were in charge. It wasn't my idea to eat kibble from China instead of table scraps, which is what my species has thrived on for years.

I'd rather have the table scraps. We dogs have always been environmentalists, recycling anything we

can get our paws on, dead or alive.

Tomorrow, for example, the main course for our April Fool's Day feast will be carrion ragout. I've been scouring Sapsucker Ridge for old deer parts and looking for road kill. Yummy!

We'll start with drinks — mud-puddle punch — and sort through Neil's garbage for



BACK OF BEYOND

The Brown Dog Jiggs

appetizers. There will be beaver-pond wine with the main course and we'll finish up with fermented bone marrow for dessert.

Only the salad will be imported. It will be twitch-grass, a real delicacy at this time of year and a dog favourite, with a sardine-oil dressing and right after we eat it we'll go out in the yard and recycle it, if you get my drift. That's my kind of spring tonic.

As for carbon footprints, ours should be assigned to the humans who think they own us and buy us things we neither want nor need. It is they who humiliate us with winter coats and booties that make us skid on the ice.

Humans made a big deal of switching off their lights for one hour on the weekend. So far as dogs are concerned, they could switch them off forever; we get along just fine in the dark.

Dogs also get along just fine without air conditioners, jet planes, electric toothbrushes and outboard motors. Imagine a human calling us energy hogs!

As for that professor, imagine the carbon footprint of his research. To him, I say woof!

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Send your Letter to the Editor by Monday at 3 p.m. to editor@mindentimes.ca, fax to 286-4768 or drop by the office at 2 IGA Road, in Minden.

Participate

Information Centre to Review Proposed Operations Bancroft Minden Forest 2011-2021 Forest Management Plan

We Need Your Input

Do you ...

- Have an interest in natural resource management in the Bancroft Minden Forest?
- Want to know more about the proposed operations of the Bancroft Minden Forest?
- Want to take an active role in the planning process and development of the Bancroft Minden Forest Forest Management Plan (FMP)?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, the **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)**, **Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc.** and the **Local Citizens Committee (LCC)** invite you to attend a public open house to help us to develop the 2011- 2021 FMP for the Bancroft Minden Forest.

You will have the opportunity to review and comment on:

- The proposed areas identified for harvest, renewal and tending operations;
- The proposed road locations and conditions for the first five-year term;
- The preferred areas of operations for the second five-year term;
- The proposed corridors for new primary and branch roads for the ten-year term.

How to Get Involved

An Information Centre will be held at the following locations from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on:

Saturday, May 1, 2010
Club 580
164 Hastings Street North
Bancroft, Ontario (Beside Millennium Park)

A summary of the long-term management direction for the forest and maps showing proposed areas for harvest, renewal and tending operations, as well as road corridors will be available at the Information Centre or upon request.

Values maps, with information such as fish and wildlife habitat features (e.g., lake trout lakes, heronries), parks and protected areas, tourism facilities as well as many other features on the Bancroft Minden Forest are available on request.

Written comments on the proposed operations for the Bancroft Minden Forest must be received by Bruce Fleck from the planning team at the Ministry of Natural Resources Bancroft District Office, by July 2, 2010.

The plan is being prepared by the following planning team members:

Craig Dodds, Project Manager
Peter Nitschke, Planning Team Co-chair
Sam Itani, Planning Team Co-chair
Lacey Rose, Plan author
Bruce Fleck, MNR Area Forester
Kathy Irwin, MNR Planning Biologist
Ron Keane, Resource Liaison Officer
Robert Craftchick, Whitney and Area Algonquins
Emmett Godin, Algonquins of Greater Golden Lake
Irving Yateman, Algonquin Nation Kijicho Manito
Chief Richard Zohr, Bonnechere Algonquin First Nation
Lucien Lacombe, Local Citizen's Committee

The planning team members, the Ministry of Natural Resources District Manager and the LCC are available during the planning process to meet and discuss your interests and concerns.

A formal issue resolution process, as described in the *Forest Management Planning Manual (2009)*, is available on written request. A summary of all comments collected throughout the planning process will be made available for public review during the planning process and for the duration of the approved ten-year plan.

Still Can't Make It?

In addition to this invitation to participate, there are two other formal opportunities for you to be involved, tentatively scheduled as follows:

Information Centre: Review of the Draft Forest Management Plan:

August 2010

Inspection of the Ministry of Natural Resources -approved Forest Management Plan:

December 2010

The draft FMP is tentatively scheduled to be submitted in **July, 2010**.

If you would like to be added to a mailing list to receive notification of public consultation opportunities, please contact Susan Kuiack at 613-332-3940, ext. 256.

The general planning information and maps described in this notice will also be available for review and comment, for the 60-day period May 1, 2010 to July 2, 2010 after the information centre(s) at the Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. office and at the Ministry of Natural Resources office during normal office hours. As well, an appointment with the ministry's Bancroft District Manager or with a planning team member during non-business hours may be made by calling 613-332-3940, ext. 235.

For further information, please contact:

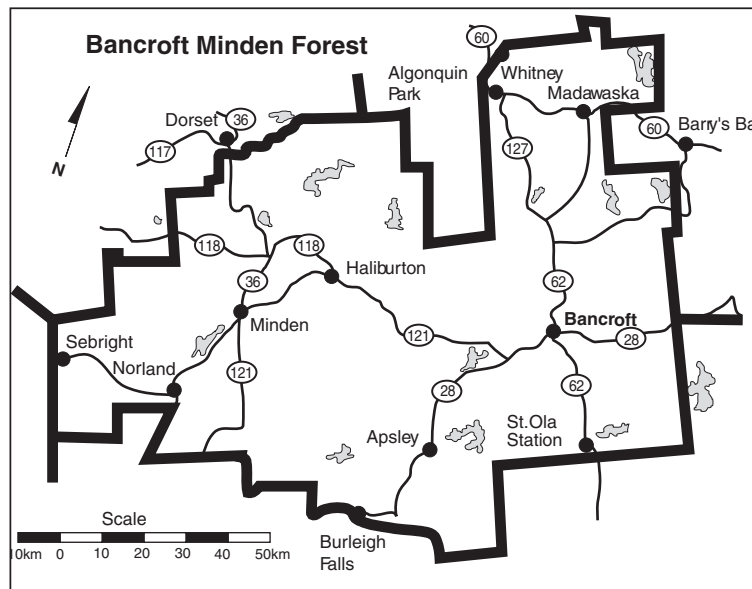
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The Ministry of Natural Resources is collecting your personal information and comments under the authority of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act*.

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2010 provincial budget criticized for not being business friendly

by JENN WATT
Editor

While MPP Rick Johnson promotes the 2010 provincial budget announced March 25 as a sound balance between deficit reduction and program spending, many others spent last week criticizing the budget for not being business friendly and not spending enough on health care or the poor.

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business called the budget disappointing, stating in a

press release that it was hoping for a reduction in the pending HST rate and that there was no money set aside for small business.

"For a budget billed as Ontario's Plan for Jobs and Growth, there was little to nothing for small business owners and their employees," CFIB's Ontario director Satinder Chera wrote in the release.

The Ontario Nurses Association sent out a release saying it expects service and nursing cuts across the province.

"Every Ontarian should brace themselves for yet more cuts to the health care they need and count on," said Linda Haslam-Stroud, president of the ONA.

Anti-poverty advocates were worried about the Liberals' decision to eliminate the special diet supplement, which is money given to those on welfare and disability if there is a medical condition requiring more expensive diets.

The government has announced a new program will take its place that is harder to take advantage

of.

"Ontarians on social assistance have every right to be concerned about today's provincial government decision to create a new 'nutritional supplementation' program to replace the current special diet program," a release from the Income Security Advocacy Centre reads.

In his own press release, Johnson focuses on economic growth, stating: "This is a plan to eliminate the deficit caused by the global recession and, at the same

time, enhance programs and services in education, health care and skills training."

He highlights new college and university positions for 20,000 more students in the province and reminds voters of \$30 million for the Eastern Ontario Development Fund to bring new technology and innovation to the area, as well as the seniors' homeowners property tax grant, a five-per-cent increase in tourism funding and investments in child care spaces.

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HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE!

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter Weekend. Please be advised that Bobcaygeon Road will be closed between Newcastle Street to Water Street from noon to 3:00 p.m. for the Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by CUPE Local 4286 and the Township of Minden Hills.

Household Hazardous Waste Days for 2010

Scotch Line Landfill Site

May 22

September 4

July 3

October 9

July 31

911 Signs

Please ensure your 911 signs are erect and stable after the harsh winter months.

Key "Fire" Messages

- Develop and practice a home fire escape plan. In case a fire starts, everyone must know two ways out of every room if possible.
- Smoke Alarms must be installed on every storey and outside sleeping areas. IT IS THE LAW!
- If caught in smoke, get "low" and go under the smoke to the nearest safe exit.
- Once out, stay out! Never re-enter a burning building

Meetings and Events

April 2nd-5th	Admin Offices Closed
April 4th	1:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt, Bobcaygeon Rd., Downtown
April 6th	Admin Offices Open
April 8th	9:00 a.m. COTW/General Committee
April 29th	9:00 a.m. Council



Call to artist for Submission: Canadian Landscape Juried Exhibition scheduled at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery July 27 to September 11. Deadline June 4. Entry Form: www.mindenculturalcentre.com

REGISTRATION is now OPEN
CALL 286-3763 \$20 each Registration forms at
www.mindenculturalcentre.com

Mineral Club at R.D. Lawrence Place, April 22, 2010, 7:30 pm

Join experts Michael Bainbridge and Steve Smith in an informative and fun introduction to mineral collecting. Children are welcome. Contact hgs@theocurrence.ca, or Steve at 286-4433.

Northern Stars - R.D. Lawrence Place, March 13 - October 2

Prepare to have your heart strings played by this powerful story of love, adventure, tremendous loss and solace. Ron Lawrence established a wildlife sanctuary in Uphill at North Star Farm and recorded humorous and touching tales from this time in The Zoo That Never Was. In this exhibition find out why he left the farm and undertook an Alaskan sea voyage. These stories leave an unforgettable imprint on the heart.

Annual Poet Tree Project, April 10, 11 am - April 30

Celebrate Poetry Month at R.D. Lawrence Place where the Haliburton Highlands Writers and Editors Network will have an awards ceremony for their poetry contest at 11 am. Contest entries will be displayed in the building for the rest of the month.

Earth Day Celebration, April 22 2:00 - 4:30 pm

Enjoy a new visual presentation about Sustainable Building which will be shown at R.D. Lawrence Place. Admission is by donation.

Haliburton County Earth Day Festival, April 24 1:00 - 4:00 Cultural Centre Grounds, Common Room, RDLP

A Minden Clean-up will be led by EH! At noon, followed by opening ceremonies in the Cultural Centre common room at 1 pm. A family festival with live music, children's activities, presentations for adults on recycling in the county, Good Green News, an art attack and more from R.D. Lawrence Place, Kinark Outdoor Centre, Bark Lake Leadership Centre, Gaia Centre, Rails End Gallery and many volunteer helping hands. Details at www.mindenculturalcentre.com

Around the Frayed Edges - Opening reception, March 19 4:00 pm at Agnes Jamieson Gallery

This exhibition delves into the outer edges of fibre arts. Fibre arts is a style of fine arts made with textiles and is more concerned with creativity and skill in the end product than functionality. In Around the Frayed Edges a narration will be spun through work that pushes the confines as to what an artist can do with fibre today. Twenty-seven fibre artists from across North America have created works for this exhibition. From sculptural to painterly to installations this leading edge exhibition addresses all of the visual arts elements - all in fibre.

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Haliburton COUNTY news



Volunteer Lauren Dixon holds a sculpture that was one of many artistic works auctioned off during the evening. /Photos by Chad Ingram

Evening of helping

A large crowd gathered at Sir Sam's Ski Area on the evening of March 27 for Taste 'n' Talents of the Highlands, a fundraiser for A Hand Up for Haiti from the Highlands.

The night included live and silent auctions, raffles, musical entertainment courtesy of cellist and violinist Bethany Houghton and lots and lots of food. About \$20,000 was raised.

County tax rate up

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors passed the county's 2010 budget, worth more than \$18.6 million, at its meeting March 24.

This solidifies a 10-per-cent increase for the county's taxpayers this year.

Much of that increase comes from a loss in provincial funding. The county is losing \$1.2 million in funding from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) this year and will lose another \$1.2 million from the fund in 2011.

At last week's meeting, county treasurer Laura Janke said there is another \$711,000 in funding related to the OMPF that the county could also lose.

The loss in provincial funding equated to a 12-per-cent tax increase alone and a five-per-cent increase from the county itself, meaning councillors were initially faced with a 17-per-cent tax increase for this year.

By asking the county's department heads to make reductions to their respective budgets, council was able to whittle that figure down to 10 per cent.

Janke said some good news is that the county's debt load is approximately \$900,000, a minimal amount for any municipality, she said, that the county is in the process of paying back.

"We essentially have no debt," she said.

The county's reserves are sitting at approximately \$4.1 million, which Janke said the province deems low for a municipality the size of Haliburton. And while the treasurer said it would be nice if the county was able to up this amount, she said it is simply not feasible.

"We just can't do it in these times ... even if we'd like to," she said.

New developments mean longer EMS wait times

by JENN WATT
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the March 25 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board of directors.

Cottage developments on Kennisis, Percy and Haliburton lakes are so far off the main routes for the county's three ambulances (four in the summer) that it could take up to one hour for Emergency Medical Services to get to a call, director Pat Kennedy told the hospital board.

"The new development at Percy Lake and Haliburton Lake with another 110 cottages is going to be a major issue. It's probably going to be an hour for us to get in," Kennedy said.

Meanwhile, EMS is experiencing higher than normal call volumes in Highlands East, where they are keeping an ambulance stationed when possible.

"We've gone from around 270 calls three years ago to 411 last year ... and already this year we've done 70 calls in January and February, and there were 45 last year. So Highlands East is becoming a big focus for us and I'm not sure what we're going to do there," he said.

Kennedy spoke to the hospital board as part of an information seminar. He ultimately reports to the county of Haliburton and the provincial government.

According to Kennedy, EMS is in need of more assets – especially another ambulance – since it covers an area the size of P.E.I. with just three ambulances during most of the year. This year, the department was given one more vehicle to cover the summer months.

He also told the board how happy he was with the new public access defibrillators, of which there are 37 sites across the county.

LHIN to offset HHHS deficit

The Central East Local Health Integration Network will be giving the HHHS money this year to offset the deficit.

"We negotiated an additional \$150,000 from the Central East LHIN that will offset most of our deficit this year and we'll receive those funds next year. Because of that there's no change to any of our services or our service plan," HHHS CEO Paul Rosebush said.

Health care forum a love-in for services

Leading up to the health care forum in Minden held by the Ontario Health Coalition, Rosebush was approached by the Chamber of Commerce and the press about rumours that the Minden hospital would be closing.

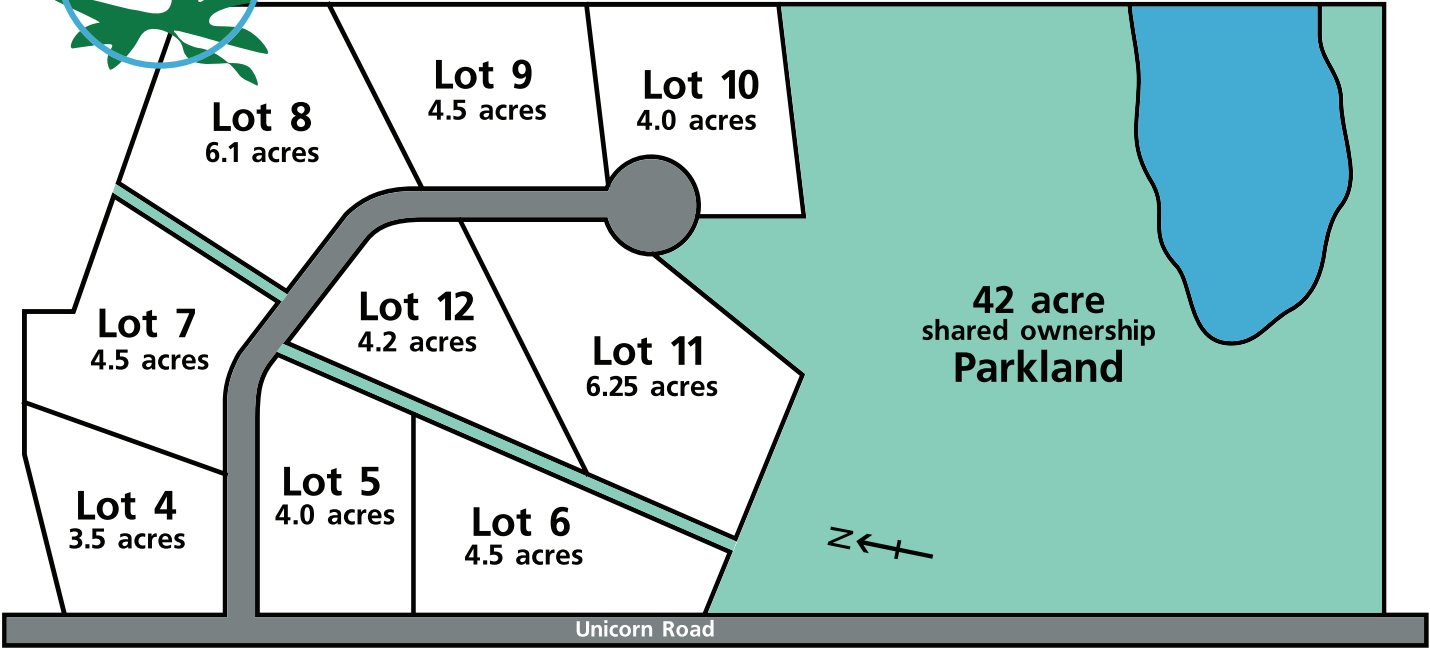
"That was never on anyone's agenda, so I was able to quickly dispel those rumours," Rosebush told the board.

So when the OHC did come to town, he went to the forum to see what the people of Minden would be saying about health care.

"It was amazing to sit there and listen to well over 100 people there talk about how important HHHS is to them and their health care and their feeling of security within their community. Folks had nothing but praise for our doctors and nurses and allied health-care providers. They had nothing but praise and admiration for how they felt their families had been supported over the years," he said.

"You know how important that health care is to all of the community, but to hear it first-hand like that was really touching," he said.

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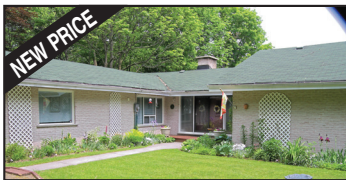
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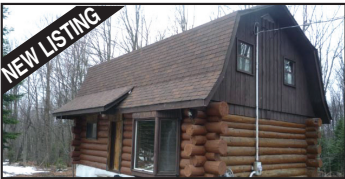
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Students discover history abroad

by ANGELICA BLENICH
Times Staff

When Alex McMaster heard an announcement made over the PA system at his school about a trip abroad he knew it was an opportunity he wanted to be a part of.

The 10-day trip visited some of the most infamous battlefields where Canadians fought in France, Belgium and the Netherlands.

"I'm very interested in war history," says the 17-year-old student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. "The trip sounded so cool and I thought it would be a great experience."

The French history trip, which was Alex's first time in Europe, included a packed itinerary with stops in Paris, Normandy, Amsterdam and Brussels. Some of the sights included the beaches of Normandy, Dieppe and Waterloo.

Organized by HHSS, the experience was enjoyed by 18 Grade 11 and 12 stu-

dents and three teachers who gave up their March break.

"I just finished taking Canadian history last semester so this was a neat way of experiencing what I learned firsthand," says Alex. "My favourite site on the trip was definitely the Vimy Ridge memorial."

One of the other highlights, says Alex, was spending quality time with the other students and teachers.

"By the end of the trip I had really formed some strong relationships with the other students," he says. "The teachers also did a great job organizing things. They knew the languages of the places we visited, which helped us all."

One of the teachers who helped organize the trip was French teacher Suzanne van Luik. An avid traveller herself, van Luik admits this trip was unlike any of her other trips to Europe.

"It was an unforgettable experience," she says, "especially for the students. For many of them this was their first time to Europe and even first time on an airplane.



Haliburton high school students stand in front of the Vimy Ridge memorial found in France. The group recently returned from a war history trip abroad. /Submitted photo

It was a lot of firsts for them."

The trip, says van Luik, wasn't stressful and included a good variety of city and countryside.

"There were so many sights to see in Europe like the architecture and the fashion," she says. "I learned a lot myself."

According to van Luik, the places the group visited brought history to life for the students.

"We went to the Vimy Ridge memorial which really impressed the students," she

says, "as well as explored old trenches. It's very different once you're there, it's not the same as reading about it in a book."

Alex, who plans on attending university in the fall to study environmental science, says one of the drawbacks on the trip was completely out of anyone's control.

"My camera broke the fourth day I was there," he explains, "so I don't have a lot of photos from the trip. Luckily a lot of the other students who went are on Facebook, so I can just get their photos that way."

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Marion Sedgwick: From Gelert to the jungles of Papua New Guinea

“This one’s for killing birds, and this one’s for killing people,” said Marion Sedgwick. She was referring to wickedly pointed arrows that, along with a bow, she had unfurled from a decorative sleeping mat.

She’d obtained these items during her working days in Papua New Guinea, where not so very long ago intertribal warfare was common.

Sedgwick was born on the family farm in Gelert on Aug. 10, 1929. The farm has been in the family since the 1850s, “when we oozed up here from Asphodel township near Peterborough,” she says with an amused chuckle.

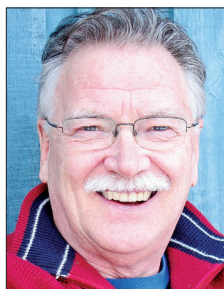
She attended SS #2, Snowdon township until the end of Grade 10. “And then I went to Minden High School for Grades 11 and 12,” she says.

As there was no Grade 13 in the county in those days, Marion had to go by train to the high school in Lindsay. She remembers the train well because her dad would pick up supplies at Gelert station and take them by horse and cart, or sleigh, to Minden where he would make deliveries to various merchants.

But how did Marion Sedgwick go from a childhood in Gelert to 10 years in Papua New Guinea? Learning to teach played a large part. Upon completion of Grade 13, “Mr. Archie Stouffer, the school inspector from Haliburton County, asked me if I would be willing to teach school at SS #6 Snowdon, as they were short of teachers,” Sedgwick recalls.

She said yes.

She was all of 16 years old, and taught students from Grades 1 through 8. Following that one year of teaching she went to Peterborough Teachers’ College, which led to teaching in various schools throughout Haliburton County.



INTERESTING PEOPLE

George Farrell

After five years of teaching kids she decided she needed a career change, and another piece fell into place, because Sedgwick went into nursing. She subsequently taught at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Barrie, “but the fun in nursing is at the bedside,” she says. “I got a bit bored with teaching, so I went back to nursing.”

Then Sedgwick’s mom got sick. Her dad had died a few years previously and Sedgwick went home to look after her ailing mother with the help of the family and the VON. After a couple of years her mom passed away and Sedgwick was faced with a decision of what to do next.

She’s never married, so that wasn’t a hindrance, and one day while she was reading the *United Church Observer*, she noticed a request for nurses to work overseas. She responded saying she’d like to work in Africa. “So they sent me to New Guinea,” she laughs.

When she got there she found that “God had prepared me very well for a life of hiking on our medical patrol.” Her preparation was her childhood in Gelert, where she’d run and jump across the stones in the rapids and hike for miles with her friends. While in Papua New Guinea, “we’d load medical stuff on our backs with a change of cloth-



Gelert resident Marion Sedgwick’s first teaching job was at the age of 16. She went on to become a nurse, practising in Papua New Guinea where she got these warriors’ arrows. /Photo by George Farrell

ing and soap, and some tinned meat, which we would bring out to offer to the families. We’d stay overnight with the families in the villages, and they’d keep oil lamps lit all night long, to keep away evil spirits. We’d sleep on straw mats on a cement floor, and in the day our job was to teach native youngsters how to become registered nurses.”

Sedgwick worked there from 1981-91. When she contracted malaria she decided it was time to leave, so she came home and started “gardening with a vengeance.” She then took the United Church lay minister course, which allowed her when required to fill in for absent ministers. She’s preached in various locations throughout the county, though now she professes to be retired.

Marion Sedgwick never watches televi-

sion, but she keeps abreast of world news through a subscription to the *Manchester Guardian*. She’s also taken correspondence courses in English literature, religion and history. She’s still an avid walker, and cross-country skier and she’s active at the Gelert Community Centre, where she helps with quilting fundraisers.

“God leads you if you let him,” she says. But to Papua New Guinea? Looking back, even Marion wonders sometimes if it really happened, but she has those arrows to prove it.

If you know of an interesting person who might like to be interviewed, drop me a line with some details, at georgefarrell3@gmail.com.

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Left, Ariel Weiss, left, and Callie Dick performed their number "Boxer" to the theme music from Rocky.

Skating into spring

The Minden Figure Skating Club put on its annual spring carnival on March 28 to the delight of many spectators. This year's theme was When I Grow Up I Want To Be . . .

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Left, The club's senior skaters performed a group spiral as part of their number, "Business Professional."



Right, Seth Smith and Trista Greer performed a pair's number.

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HHSS students went to Gravenhurst for a mock G8 summit March 26 where they debated real world issues such as poverty and counter-terrorism.

Our future world leaders?

by PAUL LONGO
Special to the Times

On March 26, 12 enthusiastic, globally aware students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School joined with 108 other students from throughout the Trillium Lakelands DSB at a Mock G8 Summit at Taboo Resort in Gravenhurst.

The day was organized by the Ottawa Summit Management Office with the intent of providing high school students a

glimpse of what the world's leaders will be doing from June 24 to June 27 at the Huntsville G8 and at the G20 in Toronto. After careful thought, the HHSS delegation was organized in the following teams.

Counter-terrorism: Kelsey Crowe, Dan Wright, Josh Wright; poverty reduction: Nadia Shivji, Nicole Jennings, Hayley Sullivan; climate change: Joe Ferracuti, Kaily Schell, Codie Hunt; economy: Tim Thurley, Jenna Dibblee, Stuart Locke.

Trails and Tours funds going to trail upkeep

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new management committee is formed.

McMahon said he wasn't sure when this would happen.

The county would be making some improvements to the surface of the trail this year he said and thanked Friends of the Rail Trail, headed up by Pamela Marsales, for "keeping us in line and reminding us of some of the things we need to do."

Friends of the Rail Trail will be holding a series of guided hikes along the corridor this spring, the first one set for Sunday. ATVs are permitted on the Rail Trail between June and October and this year OPP officers will be patrolling the trail up until June to make sure ATVers respect this rule. There will also be barricades installed along the trail to keep ATVers out

in the meantime. McMahon said the county would also be making improvements to the surface of the trail this year.

"It's a valuable piece of infrastructure and we've got to keep in maintained," he said. This will be the first year in a decade the county will be without the help of the Haliburton County Trails and Tours Network, which for years oversaw trail operation and promotion.

McMahon said the county would likely have to work harder to promote its trail systems in the absence of the organization.

The \$45,000 that the county had budgeted towards Trails and Tours has been put into the roads budget under a special trails section, treasurer Laura Janke said, adding that the money would be put towards trying to acquire some grants for trail improvements.

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The Atom AE Highland Storm boys proved their mettle against the higher tier Gravenhurst Atom A team in the one-game winner-take-all league championship game. The game could have gone either way, but Gravenhurst claimed the hardware with a 2-1 win. /Photo by Jerry Grozelle.

Atom AE take on higher team for league honours

by JERRY GROZELLE
Special to the Times

There was no loser when the Highland Storm Atom AE hockey team tangled with the Gravenhurst Flames Atom A squad Monday at the Haliburton Arena. The Flames may have taken home the loop's championship hardware, but they had to work much harder than most expected to claim the trophy in the one game winner-take-all showdown.

Since the Highland Storm team had already won the all-Ontario Atom AE championship, league officials decided the Storm should face competition from a higher level team for the local loop honours. It was a decision that had a lot of Storm supporters wondering if it was a fair match-up. But, as it turned out, the boys of the local team proved that they could be competitive at a higher level. Both teams had several good scoring chances and the stellar play of Anthony Bertucca between the pipes and the Storm's defensemen were factors that helped keep it a one-goal game.

Gravenhurst opened the scoring during a scramble in the slot in front of Bertucca midway through the first period and the Flames clung to that one-goal lead until well into the second.

Owen Smith scored the equalizer with 6:20 remaining in the middle period. His wrist shot from the face-off circle to the left of the Gravenhurst goaltender found the target high in the mesh. Jack Obie and Devyn Prentice assisted.

With about 5:50 remaining in the third frame, and the Storm playing with a man in the penalty box, a Flames shot rang off the crossbar. Before Bertucca or his defensive comrades could corral the loose puck, a Gravenhurst forward managed

to get his stick on it and bang it into the net.

Less than a minute remained when Bertucca started for the bench to give his team an extra attacker. He made it three quarters of the way to the bench when a Flames player got control of the puck in the Gravenhurst end. Backtracking as fast as he could, the Storm goalie had little hope of getting back to his net in time. The Flames' would-be sniper hurried his shot and it went wide of the open net. Bertucca made it to the cage in time to get his left blocker down to stop the second shot as the puck rebounded off the backboards to the Gravenhurst forward.

The Storm did manage to get an extra attacker on the ice for the final 40 seconds, but the Flames held on to claim the league trophy with a hard-fought 2-1 win.

Manager of the team, Karena Crofts, wasn't pleased that the AE team was matched up with an A team, simply because they had such a good season.

"It was decided that since the Highland Storm Atom AE team had such a good season that they should face a Atom A team in their playoffs, and then it was decided it would only be one game, not the normal best two out of three," Crofts wrote in her column to the press after the game. "Sour grapes, maybe, but I do not believe the team should be 'penalized' for doing well in their division. These boys worked hard from the start and should have been allowed to finish their season in their division," she wrote.

Although the final game of the season for the Highland Storm didn't add to their hardware collection, the boys have a much more prestigious accomplishment that no one can dispute. They are the champions for all of Ontario in the Atom AE division.

Atom As take home hardware

by MONIKA KEEFER
Special to the Times

The season drew to a close this past weekend.

Playing Friday night 7 p.m. in Haliburton against Bracebridge Bears losing 2-1 in O.T. Game two was in Baysville on Saturday. The boys walked away with a 5-2 win. With the season tied at 1-1 game three on Sunday was the deciding factor. The puck dropped at 2:30 p.m. battling hard the boys wanted this win. We were victors with a 4-1 win.

Highland Storm Atom As take home the hardware to show we are the top in our division.

With a successful ending to the season

with a Norwood tournament champs, LiftLock Tournament A Champs, all-Ontario finalists and now Muskoka-Parry Sound champs.

Way to go boys, give yourselves a pat on the back, job well done. Your parents, friends, family and community are proud of you on a successful year.

Congrats again to: Josh Bellefleur, Ethan Keefer, Josh Boice, Andrew Hall, Max MacNaull, Nolan Flood, Paydon Miscio, Owen "Smitty" Smith, Mat Wilbee, Chris Thompson, Chase Burden. Coach Mike MacNaull, assistant coach Tim Keefer, Barry Boice, trainer Chad Burden, manager Tammy Smith and money manager Heather Hall. Thanks for all the great work.

Storm finish season with 46-9-2 record

by KARENA CROFTS
Manager, Highland Storm Atom AE

The Highland Storm Atom AE skated onto the ice to play together as a hockey team one last time on Monday, March 29 for an 8 p.m. playoff game against the Gravenhurst Flames Atom A team for the Muskoka-Parry Sound league.

No, that is not a typo, we played the Atom A team.

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Sour grapes, maybe, but I do not believe the team should be "penalized" for doing well in their division. These boys worked hard from the start and should have been allowed to finish their season in their division.

Despite this, the Storm's boys came out and did their best to try for a win, but it was not to be so. Gravenhurst was the first to score, and was answered with a goal from the Storm's Owen Smith, for his 50th of the season, with assists to Jack Dobie and Devyn Prentice.

The game remained tied until Gravenhurst scored again in the third, giving them the win 2-1 and the championship.

To a fantastic group of kids who had a wonderful season, the bench, a great group of parents, our sponsors, The Pepper Mill, thank you for a memorable season of hockey.

To our awesome goalie, Anthony Bertucca who is returning to Bancroft and our fast defenseman Jack Dobie who is moving to Peterborough, good luck and well wishes to you both.

To the rest of the team, Jake Bull, Greg Crofts, Jacob Haedicke, Carter O'Neill, Devyn Prentice, Ryan Prentice, Owen Smith, Trevor Turner and Alex Wilbee, continue the great hockey, having fun with the game and keep the Highland Storm name in the spotlight.

The new hockey season is only five months away. I will be looking forward to seeing everyone at the Parade of Champions June 12 with their gold medals and great smiles.

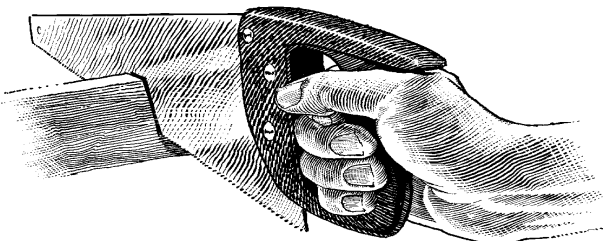
This team was scheduled to play 18 games in the regular season, but with tournaments and playoffs their stats are: games played: 57, 46 wins, 9 losses and 2 ties.

There are some impressive individual stats as well with this team including three 50 to 50-plus goal scorers for the season.

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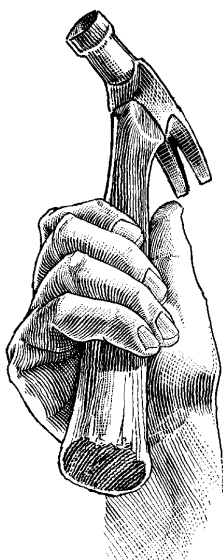
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Councillors not amused by inflated price of new tower

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March 25 meeting.

There are two companies in Ontario that manufacture water towers – Landmark Structures and Norwec.

Bonner told councillors that when he had put together the original estimate for the project, it had been based on an estimate from Landmark Structures in the spring of 2008. At that time Bonner said the cost of the tower had been estimated at about \$1.2 million and the project's other costs, such as site preparation and engineering fees, put the total at an estimated \$2.4 million.

"Things have changed," Bonner told councillors last week.

The tender from Landmark Structures came in at just more than \$2.2 million and Norwec's more than \$2.7 million, pushing the estimated total project cost to \$3.4 million.

He said the reasons for the drastic increase included tank design changes, the high volume of work both companies are experiencing and "the economic times."

Bonner said due to conditions at the site, the planned location had to be moved and the tower would now have to be higher, costing an additional \$110,000.

Bonner also said the offer from Landmark Structures was only good for 90 days, or the project would cost an additional \$20,000.

Councillors were not amused.

"Because we moved the location it was my understanding that it wasn't going to cost any more," Reeve Jim McMahon said. "That just blows me away. How can we be so far out?"

McMahon registered his disappointment at how far off

"How dare you say you represent all the people."

COUNCIL ATTENDEE

Bonner's original estimate had been, explaining that the township had based its applications for stimulus funding from the province and the feds on the estimate.

The province and the federal government will cover two thirds of up to \$2.4 million for the project, with the other third falling to the municipality.

Councillor Rick Ratcliff said he thought the manufacturing companies were taking advantage of the situation.

"So, corporate greed plays a big part," Ratcliff said, adding he thought the companies were pricing themselves out of the market and that he was pretty sure the price of steel hadn't jumped by 40 per cent.

"Are we all convinced that we still want to do this?" Councillor Barb Reid asked her colleagues, bringing up the proposition of cancelling the project completely.

McMahon said he didn't see how the township could refrain from going ahead with the project. The township's water pressure is below provincial standards, there is a new subdivision being built in Minden and Canadian Tire has said it will wait to build its scheduled Highway 35 store until the tower is completed, McMahon pointed out. Other councillors agreed. Bonner said the township had a number of options it could look at pursuing.

Aside from cancelling the project, he said council could re-tender the work, although he didn't recommend this since there are only two companies in the province and the results would likely be the same, if not more expensive.

Bonner said the township might also want to look at a different tank design, although he didn't recommend this

option either, since he said the chosen design is the most efficient. He said council might also consider seeking additional funding from the stimulus grant, a debenture of additional funds or corporate financial assistance.

Township chief administrative officer Gerry Morrison told councillors that he had already spoken to MP Barry Devolin about the issue and that Devolin had told him he would see if there is any way the township could get additional stimulus funding.

Alternatively, Morrison said he had asked if it would be possible for the township to transfer the provincial and federal funding it has received for its Riverwalk project to the water tower project. The township can access up to \$1 million in stimulus funding for the Riverwalk project and has so far spent approximately \$200,000 of that money. "Let's try to find the money somewhere, either that or debenture it," McMahon said.

Finance committee chairperson, Councillor Peter Oyler, said he couldn't accept a debenture since it would cost the township too much in the long run and requested that the issue be moved to closed session.

One man in the public gallery asked if there was going to be any opportunity for public input on how council should proceed with the water tower project.

When McMahon indicated that there would not be, the man stood and stormed out of council chambers.

"How dare you say you represent all the people," he said as he left.

McMahon said council would wait to hear from Devolin before proceeding with any other options.

The water tower is scheduled to be built on the hill known as Mount Minden, at the top of St. Germain Street. It is to stand 22.5 metres high, 16.5 metres in diameter and have a capacity of 1,500 cubic metres, which is the exact size of Bobcaygeon's water tower. It was originally hoped the tower would be completed by the end of this year, but staff have indicated it could be the spring of 2011 before the project is finished.



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Hawks team played the best hockey in years

by JERRY GROZELLE

Special to the Times

Only the elite among Ontario's high school hockey teams qualify to play for all-Ontario honours at OFSAA. The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks earned the right to compete with the province's best teams by virtue of an outstanding season. As coach Ron Yake said: "We had a great season. Including playoffs, we had a record of 25 wins, five losses and two ties. It's the first time I've had a team with just five losses over the course of a season."

Yake credits the team's success to consistent goaltending and defense. Paddy Manuge and Alex Monk-Cray shared the goaltending duties throughout the season and the playoffs. "Both are senior goalies [Grade 12] and both are capable of winning games by themselves," Yake said.

Five teams met in the Pool H round robin to determine which two of the five would advance to the OFSAA semi-finals for their division.

In the end, it came down to a game between two other teams to decide whether the Hawks would finish second and advance or third and go home. That game, between Bill Crothers Secondary School of Unionville and St. Christopher's SS of Sarnia could have gone either way.

Since the Red Hawks had suffered their only loss of the round robin to Sarnia, they needed Unionville to win. A Sarnia win, or even a tie, would mean a third place finish for the Haliburton team, thereby eliminating the Hawks from further competition.

The Hawks remained at the arena after their final game

"Including playoffs, we had a record of 25 wins, five losses and two ties.

It's the first time I've had a team with just five losses over the course of a season."

COACH RON YAKE

to cheer on Unionville. All seemed lost when Sarnia took a 2-0 lead into the dressing room after the first period.

But Unionville rallied with three in a row in the middle frame to grab a 3-2 lead. With less than a minute remaining in the second, Sarnia put the suspense level on red alert, notching the tying goal. A scoreless third period sealed Haliburton's fate, with the tie giving Sarnia second place.

Haliburton's first game of the round robin was against Unionville, the team that eventually claimed first place. The Red Hawks set the pace in that game, holding one-goal leads twice. But Unionville managed to get the equalizer with less than five minutes remaining in the game to end it in a tie. Ian Bottum notched both goals for the Hawks, with Brett Yake picking up a pair of assists and Ashton Haley getting one helper. Game two for the Hawks ended with a 4-1 loss to Sarnia. Brandon Yake's power play goal in the second period, from Scott Griffith

was Haliburton's lone marker.

The Hawks dominated their match-up against Queen Elisabeth District Secondary School in game three, skating to a 9-2 victory.

Haliburton scored three goals in each period, with single replies from Sioux Lookout in the first and second frames. Brett Yake scored a hat trick, Brandon Yake notched a pair and singles went to Ashton Haley, Kenton Gadway, Mark Vasey and Ian Bottum.

Haley picked up three assists and two helpers each went to Matthew Rae, Bottum and Gadway.

Kevin Nelson, Drew Paul, Griffith and Brett Yake contributed one assist apiece to the win. Yake said the season was very exciting. "It was quite a ride," he concluded.



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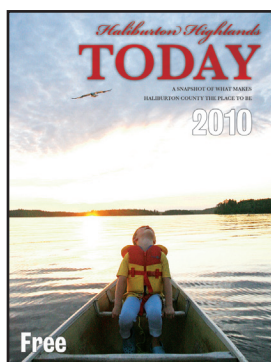
All claims against the Estate of Gregory John Smith late of the County of Haliburton, Province of Ontario, who died on or about the 31st day of January, 2010, must be filed with the undersigned solicitor for the personal representative of the estate on or before the 14th day of April, 2010, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims of which the Estate Trustee, than shall have notice.

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Marlene Vieira
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Second schedule champions

Monday night ladies' and Tuesday night men's leagues



Ladies' league winners, from left, Beni Kearns, Jean Broersma, Irene Alexander and Gwen Turner with the Prentice Power Sports Trophy.

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Ladies' A championship winners, from left, Melanie Vigrass, Sandra Garry, Lynda Litwin and Sandy Bell holding the County Sign and Display Trophy.



Men's league winners, from left, Dan Garbutt, Jim Garbutt, Paul Heffer and Kent Taylor with the Carnarvon Lumber Trophy.



Men's A championship winners, from left, Ray Kidon, Wes Lytle, Ed Hussul and Bert Kennedy holding the Garbutt Disposal Trophy.



Friday evening league winners: Jack Taylor, Winn Taylor, Barb Millington and Dave Millington with the Royal Lepage Realty Trophy.



Friday evening playoff winners: Danny Garbutt, Sarah Rochford, Nancy Garbutt and Jim Garbutt with the Madeleine A. Thomas Memorial Trophy.



Thursday evening league winners: Steve Robson, Audrey Robson, Iain Kay and Joyce Nilsson with the Wideman/Petney Trophy.

Curling club ends year

by STEVE ROBSON
Special to the Times

The Minden Curling Club held its season-ending Sweep into Spring ladies' bonspiel on this past weekend. Twenty teams from Acton, Dundas, Toronto, Port Perry, Newmarket and Minden took part in the 30th edition of this event. Starting with karaoke on Friday night and a banquet on Saturday, a fun time was had by all. The Saturday banquet was put on by the men of the Minden Curling Club all decked out in white shirts and black ties. Thanks to hostess Gwen Turner for very successful event.



The winning team from York Curling Club at the Sweep into Spring bonspiel were from left, Sandi Warrington (lead), Maureen Henderson (second), Noni Cherry (vice) and Shirley Charles (skip).



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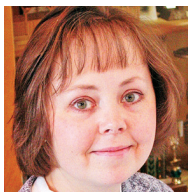
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DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano

705-766-0076

melalfano@hotmail.com

Historian and freelance writer Andrew Hind together with his co-author, Maria Da Silva, is preparing a book on historic Muskoka resorts to be published by Dundurn in 2011. One of the resorts to be included is the Alvira Hotel/Ganaseyeo Resort. While they've done a great deal of research on the prop-

erty, they are looking for more on the resort and the families that ran it. To that end, they would like to put the word out to members of our community that they are interested in information or images.

If anyone can help, please contact Andrew Hind or Maria Da Silva at maelstrom@sympatico.ca or 905-778-0981.

The seventh annual Ukrainian Easter egg workshop at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, March 20 was a grand success with 27 people taking part. Thank you to Ginger Kulas for volunteering her time and equipment to teach all who participated how to make a traditional "pysanky." Many are looking forward to next year's workshop, which will take place two Saturdays before Easter at Club 35, Halls Lake (about 30 kilometres south of Dorset on Highway 35).

Only one more chance to take advantage of the free income tax clinics at the recreation centre! Appointments are available on Wednesday, March 31. If no appointments are scheduled, the tax preparation volunteer will not be making the trip to Dorset. Please call the recreation centre for more information at 766-9968.

To make an appointment for the foot clinic at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, March 31, call 635-1229.

The Dorset Book Club is meeting on Wednesday, April 7 in the Dorset Library at 1 p.m. The book being discussed is "an animal book of your choice." All are welcome. For more information, call the library at 766-9969.

The Dorset Snowball wrap up party for all volunteers and sponsors takes place on Friday, April 16 at 6 p.m. (and not April 9 as previously indicated). Please RSVP

see EVENING page 23

ARE YOU CURIOUS ABOUT MASONRY?

Do you wonder what is behind those closed doors of a Masonic Lodge?

Why not join your fellow men for a free dinner at the Minden United Church on Thursday April 15 at 6:30 p.m. Then we will proceed across the road for a visit to Arcadia Lodge for an explanation of Masonry and a Brief History of our Lodge. There is no obligation, dress is casual (no jeans) and you must be over 21 years of age.

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Welcome arrivals on the pond were our pair of returning Canada geese (I know in my head they all look the same) sharing the water's wealth with a majestic mallard drake and his more modest mate.

From the log barn's loft a small black cat appeared but all too briefly to befriend, perhaps in time. On Canoe FM there was the reminder that Tuesday was Doctors' Day and we salute those in our health care settings along with their supporting teams. Another item of interest was that the new movie Motherhood with its three major stars, Uma Thurmann, Minnie Driver and Jodi Foster, opened in England to an audience of only 11 over the entire weekend grossing the lowest sales ever for a major release of \$130. I guess James Cameron's Avatar shouldn't feel threatened.

Condolences go out to Hazel and family on the passing of Murray McInnis, a valued community volunteer here in Kinmount. Arrangements have been entrusted to Jardine Funeral Home in Fenelon Falls with visitation on Thursday, April 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. and the service on Friday at 1:30 p.m.

There will be a special Tenebrae service at Kinmount United Church on Good Friday at 7 p.m. Tenebrae means "in the shadows" and everyone is most welcome to this very moving part of Easter weekend.

The Kinmount and District Lions Club is calling "eyes down" to all bingo fans for its Easter bingo this Thursday, April

1 at the Galway Hall. Please note that all attendees must be 18 years or over. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with the early bird game at 6:45 p.m. and regular games to follow at seven o'clock. Great prizes include turkeys, hams and cash with a \$500 jackpot and a snack bar will be available.

At the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace the craft drop-in sponsored by the UCW, Kinmount United Church will now be held twice monthly on the first and third Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon beginning April 1. Everyone is invited to bring along a craft project in progress, problem solve or share craft ideas in a relaxed atmosphere. There is no fee and for more information please give Pauline a call at 488-2220.

If you would like to learn how to quilt, Barbara Leffering will be teaching a class for beginners on Saturday, April 10 at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In this design the quilt blocks are made from 2 1/2 inch strips and the sample quilt will be on display at the marketplace over the Easter weekend (closed on Good Friday). The cost for the class is \$25 and materials will be on site for purchase. For more information Barbara can be reached at 887-8499.

The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development will host its annual dinner auction, a major fundraising event for our community, on Saturday, April 24 at the Galway Hall. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. to allow for pre-auction viewing with a full roast beef dinner served up at 7 p.m. With Don Corneil on board for the live auction and Clayton Cameron for the loonie auction a fun-filled evening is guaranteed with many more treasures up for bid on the silent auction and country raffle tables. Live auction items include

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Evening of wine, words, music and art happens April 23

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Calling all artists! The seventh annual Evening of Wine, Words, Music and Art will be Friday, April 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. There is still room for artists to come and display their work (the line up of authors is now complete). For more information or to purchase tickets to this much antici-

pated event, please call 766-9968.

Birthday wishes for the week of March 28 to April 3 go out to Evan Coombs, Cole Greenaway and happy anniversary to Dalton and Trudy Frecker. Have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

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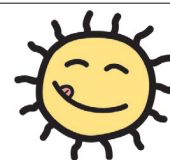
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• **April 1: Kinmount Lions Easter Bingo** – Join us at the Galway Hall, doors open at 5:30 pm, early bird at 6:45 pm. Regular games start at 7 pm. Turkeys, Hams, and cash prizes.

• **April 2: 11th Annual Good Friday Brunch at the West Guilford Community Centre at 10am** - With guest speaker Don Salmans. Hosted by West Guilford Gospel Chapel. Contact Don Wood at 754-9167 if you have questions

• **April 6: GriefShare Support Group** – Join us for from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at Lakeside Baptist Church, Park St, Haliburton. No cost to attend.

• **April 9: Raise the Roof** – An evening of inspirational music! Join us at 7:00 pm at Haliburton United Church (Corner of Pine Ave and George St) Admission is a goodwill offering. This is a fundraiser for Haliburton United Church for roof replacement and related water damage repair. Call the church office at 457-1891 or Susan Nicholson at 457-5302.

• **April 10: Maplefest Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale** – Join us at Lochlin United Church, Lochlin Road off Gelert Road (County Rd 1) from 9 am – 1 pm for an all you can eat brunch. For more information call Lois at 286-1765.

• **April 12: Climbing Club** – Come and try our Drop-In Indoor Rock Climbing Monday evenings at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. Families 6:30 – 8:00 pm, children and

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• **April 13: GriefShare Support Group** – Join us for from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at Lakeside Baptist Church, Park St, Haliburton. No cost to attend.

• **April 14: Meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be held in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre** - Doors open at 6 pm. The speaker at 7 pm will be Wendy Ladurantaye showing how to enhance family history with scrapbooking techniques, both digital and traditional cut and glue methods. No charge. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225 or hhgroup@gmail.com

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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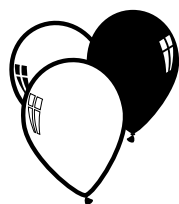
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Deaths

BRANDON, Shirley Amy (nee Easton) - In Loving Memory of Shirley Amy Brandon (nee Easton) Passed away suddenly at the Minden Hospital on Friday, March 26, 2010. In her 83rd year. Beloved wife of the late Charles Stewart Brandon. Dear mother of Stuart and his wife Linda of Minden, Allison Masters of Toronto, Ted and his wife Lorry of Haliburton. Loving grandmother of Amy (Ryan), Emily, Daniel, Rebecca (Jesse), Christopher, Connor and great grandmother of Braydon and Anson. Dear sister of Ruth, Dorothy, Lance and predeceased by Bill, Olive, and John. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Monday from 7:00 until 9:00 pm. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at 1:00 pm. Spring Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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COWLING, M. Gail - A resident of Peterborough and Hall's Lake for over 40 years died peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Saturday, March 27, 2010. Survived by her husband, Barry and three sons, John (Chris), Glen (Kellie) and Jeff (Carolyn). Loving "Gummy" to six grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at Northminster United Church, 300 Sunset Boulevard, Peterborough on Saturday, April 3, 2010 at 2 p.m. with visitation from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to Comstock Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Northminster United Church Capital Fund or the Soroptomist International of Peterborough would be appreciated by her family. A private burial will take place at a later date.

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Deaths



GOODGER, Margaret Jean (nee Graham) - B.A., UEL. Passed away peacefully on March 29, 2010 at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden, Ontario in her 93rd year. Beloved wife of the late Rev. William Donald Goodger. Dear mother of Norma Jean Goodger and the late Bryan Robert Goodger. Predeceased by her brother Harland Edward (Ted) Graham. Jean will be fondly remembered by her dear friend Reta Kelly and her loving nieces Cheryl Kitt and Marian Eichberger. Jean was born and raised in Toronto graduating from Victoria College, University of Toronto in 1939 with an Honours Degree in Modern Languages. Jean and Don were married in 1940, having met at university. During Don's ministry they resided in Florence, Kirkton, Ayr, Dunnville and Niagara Falls. The family moved to Toronto in 1963 when Don assumed a position in the head office of the United Church of Canada. Interest in her family history led Jean to genealogy, becoming Dominion Secretary of the United Empire Loyalists. For a number of years Jean supply taught high school French in Toronto. When Don retired from the ministry he pursued a second career in gemmology and Jean came out of retirement to become his business manager. Throughout her life Jean was very active in the United Church of Canada. Jean was an avid bridge player and her many interests included cottaging for over fifty years on Kushog Lake, Haliburton Highlands. Cremation has taken place. There will be a Celebration of Jean's life in the Fireplace Lounge at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home in Minden on Saturday, April 3, 2010 from 2 to 4 p.m. As an expression of sympathy, donations to Haliburton Highlands Health Sciences Foundation (H.H.H.S.F.), Box 1413, Haliburton ON K0M 1S0 or Zion United Church (Carnarvon), Box 247, Minden ON K0M 2K0 would be appreciated. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Deaths

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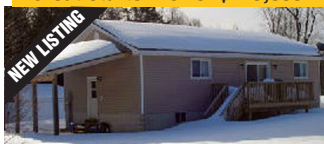
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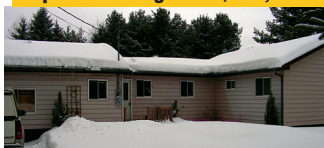
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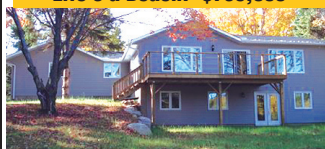
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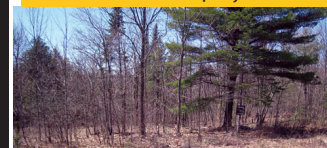
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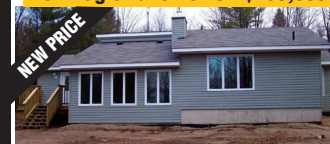
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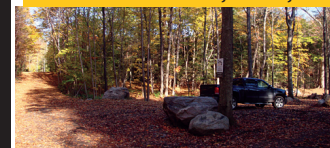
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